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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, JA

SUBJECT:UNGA DISARMAMENT: JAPANESE DRAFT NON-PROLIFERATION
RESOLUTION

REFS: (A) USUN 4341; (B) TOKYO 13956; (C) STATE 232776

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT AMB NISIBORI (JAPAN-
ESE DISARMAMENT REP) APPROACHED US UNGA DISARMAMENT DEL
MORNING OF OCT 25 TO SAY HE FELT PLACED IN AWKWARD POSITION
ON QUESTION OF JAPANESE INITIATIVE RE NON-PROLIFERATION AND
SECURITY COUNCIL. HE HAD REPORTED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY
HIS CONVERSATION WITH AMB MARTIN (REF A) IN WHICH HE HAD
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BEEN TOLD US DIFFICULTIES WITH RAISING NON-PROLIFERATION

ISSUES IN SC AND IN WHICH MARTIN TOLD HIM THAT, IF OTHER SC PERMANENT MEMBERS COULD NOT SUPPORT RES, US WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY DOING SO. (COMMENT: PER PARA 4, REF C. END COMMENT.) HE HAD JUST RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM TOKYO, HOWEVER, INDICATING THAT AMEMBASSY HAD SUGGESTED WAYS OF MODIFYING RES TO MAKE IT MORE GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE. THUS, FOREIGN MINISTRY APPARENTLY HAS INTERPRETED US APPROACH IN TOKYO (REF B) AS ENCOURAGEMENT FOR GOING AHEAD WITH NON-PROLIFERATION PROPOSAL IN ALTERED FORM. NISIBORI CLEARLY FEELS HIS CREDIBILITY ON ISSUE COULD BE UNDERCUT AS RESULT OF EMBASSY'S APPROACH, PARTICULARLY SINCE HE REPORTED ALL REACTIONS TO JAPANESE DRAFT IN NEGATIVE TERMS.

2. WE DO NOT WISH TO ENCOURAGE JAPANESE TO GO FORWARD WITH INITIATIVE IN ANY FORM. SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS OF JAPANESE RES (PARA 5, REF C) WERE INTENDED TO BE PUT TO JAPANESE DEL IN NEW YORK ONLY IF JAPANESE, DESPITE NEGATIVE REACTIONS OF OURSELVES AND OTHERS, WERE INTENT ON PRESSING FORWARD.

3. FOR EMBASSY TOKYO: YOU SHOULD SEEK EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE FONOFF WITH CLARIFICATION OF OUR VIEWS ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: PRINCIPAL US INTEREST IS TO AVOID CONTENTIOUS DEBATE, EITHER ON UNGA RES OR SUBSEQUENTLY IN SECURITY COUNCIL, WHICH WOULD BE DAMAGING TO COOPERATIVE INTERNATIONAL EFFORT IN NON-PROLIFERATION AREA. ACCORDINGLY, WE WOULD FIND IT VERY DIFFICULT TO SUPPORT ANY RES INVOLVING SECURITY COUNCIL IN NON-PROLIFERATION WHICH WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE TO OTHER SC PERMANENT MEMBERS. SINCE WE ARE DOUBTFUL, ESPECIALLY AFTER HEARING INITIAL REACTIONS TO JAPANESE RES (REF A), THAT CONSENSUS CAN BE REACHED ON RES INVOLVING SC IN NON-PROLIFERATION, WE DO NOT WISH TO ENCOURAGE GOJ TO PRESS FORWARD, WITH OR WITHOUT REVISIONS IN DRAFT. SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING POSSIBLE MODIFIED DRAFT (PARA 5, REF C) WERE SIMPLY MEANT TO ILLUSTRATE TYPE OF RES THAT MIGHT BE MORE BROADLY ACCEPTABLE AND THAT WE COULD PROBABLY SUPPORT, PROVIDED OTHER SC PERMANENT MEMBERS DID THE SAME. HOWEVER, WE ARE NOT RECOMMENDING SUCH A COURSE OF ACTION, NOR WOULD WE BE PREPARED TO PROMOTE IT WITH CONFIDENTIAL

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OTHERS, SINCE WE ARE EXTREMELY DUBIOUS THAT EVEN MORE GENERAL AND LESS ACTION-ORIENTED VERSION WOULD GAIN BROAD SUPPORT.

4. FOR USUN: US DISDEL SHOULD PRESENT PARALLEL CLARIFICATION TO NISIBORI. INGERSOLL

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